

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-58. (Cancelled)

59. (Currently Amended) A granule bait for the control of house flies comprising one or more insect controlling agents, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are ~~selected from the group consisting of N-substituted carbamic acids, organophosphorous compounds, nitro-enamines, chlorinated hydrocarbons, natural pyrethrins, pyrethroids, formamidines, borates, phenylpyrazoles, and macrocyclic lactones;~~

one or more lures;

one or more foods; and

one or more filling materials,

wherein the size of the granulate is between about 1 mm and about 5 mm.

60. (Previously Presented) The granule bait of Claim 59 further comprising one or more bitter constituents wherein said one or more bitter constituents are a repellent against non-house fly animals.

61. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 60, wherein said bitter constituent is ~~Bitrex~~denatonium benzoate.

62. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 60, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ imidacloprid, thiametoxam, or a combination thereof~~and fipronil~~; said lure is cis-9-tricosene; said food is lactose; said filling material is saccharose; and said bitter constituent is ~~Bitrex~~denatonium benzoate.

63. (Previously Presented) The granule bait of Claim 59 further comprising one or more dyes.

64. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 63, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ imidacloprid, thiametoxam, or a combination thereof and fipronil; said lure is cis-9-tricosene; said food is lactose; said filling material is saccharose; and said dye is selected from the group of azo dyes.

65. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 64, wherein said dye is ~~Hansa Brilliant Yellow 4GX~~ a yellow dispersion dye.

66. (Previously Presented) The granule bait of Claim 59 further comprising one or more structure- stabilizers.

67. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 66, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ imidacloprid, thiametoxam, or a combination thereof and fipronil; said lure is cis-9-tricosene; said food is lactose; said filling material is saccharose; and said structure-stabilizer is ~~Glucidex~~ comprises malodextrins and dehydrated glucose syrups.

68. (Previously Presented) The granule bait of Claim 59 further comprising one or more tensides.

69. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 68, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ imidacloprid, thiametoxam, or a combination thereof and fipronil; said lure is cis-9-tricosene; said food is lactose; said filling material is saccharose; and said tenside is ~~Agrimera~~ a non-ionogenic dispersant or detergent.

70. (Previously Presented) The granule bait of Claim 59 further comprising one or more bitter constituents, one or more dyes, and one or more structure-stabilizers, wherein said one or more bitter constituents are a repellent against non-house fly animals.

71. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 70, wherein said insect controlling agent is thiametoxam; said lure is cis-9-tricosene; said food is lactose; said filling material is saccharose; said bitter constituent is ~~Bitrex~~ denatonium benzoate; said dye is ~~Hansa Brilliant Yellow 4GX~~ a yellow dispersion dye; and said structure-stabilizer is ~~Glucidex~~ comprises malodextrins and dehydrated glucose syrups.

72. (Previously Presented) The granule bait of Claim 59 further comprising one or more bitter constituents, one or more dyes, one or more structure-stabilizers, and one or more tensides, wherein said one or more bitter constituents are a repellent against non-house fly animals.

73. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 72, wherein said insect controlling agent is thiametoxam; said lure is cis-9-tricosene; said food is lactose; said filling material is saccharose; said bitter constituent is ~~Bitrex~~denatonium benzoate; said dye is ~~Hansa Brilliant Yellow 4GX~~a yellow dispersion dye; said structure-stabilizer is ~~Glucidex~~comprises malodextrins and dehydrated glucose syrups; and said tenside is ~~Agrimera~~non-ionogenic dispersant or detergent.

74. (Currently Amended) The granule bait of Claim 59, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ imidacloprid, thiametoxam, or a combination thereof~~and fipronil~~.

75. (Previously Presented) The granule bait of Claim 59, wherein said one or more lures are selected from the group consisting of muscalure, hexalure, medlure, vanillin, terpineol, farnesol, geraniol, phenylethanol and cis-9-tricosene.

76. (Previously Presented) The granule bait of Claim 59, wherein said one or more foods are selected from the group consisting of lactose, maltose and glucose.

77. (Currently Amended) The granule bait of Claim 59, wherein said one or more filling materials are selected from the group consisting of saccharose, fructofuranose and glucopyranose.

78. (Currently Amended) The granule bait according to Claim 59, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ imidacloprid, thiametoxam, or a combination thereof~~and fipronil~~; said lure is cis-9-tricosene; said food is lactose; and said filling material is saccharose.

79. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 59, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are present in a proportion of about 0.01 percent to about 5 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

80. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 59, wherein said one or more lures are present in a proportion of about 0.001 percent to about 0.5 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

81. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 59, wherein said one or more foods are present in a proportion of up to about 25 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

82. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 59, wherein said one or more filling materials are present in a proportion of up to about 90 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

83. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 60, wherein said one or more bitter constituents are present in a proportion of up to about 0.1 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

84. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 63, wherein said one or more dyes are present in a proportion of up to about 1 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

85. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 66, wherein said one or more structure- stabilizers are present in a proportion of up to about 25 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

86. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 70, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are present in a proportion of about 0.01 percent to about 5 percent, said one or more lures are present in a proportion of about 0.001 percent to about 0.5 percent, said one or more foods are present in a proportion of up to about 25 percent, said one or more filling materials are present in a proportion of up to about 90 percent, said one or more bitter constituents are present in a proportion of up to about 0.1 percent, said one or more dyes

are present in a proportion of up to about 1 percent, and said one or more structure-stabilizers are present in a proportion of up to about 25 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

87. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to any Claim 86, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are present in a proportion of about 0.1 percent to about 2 percent, said one or more lures are present in a proportion of about 0.01 percent to about 0.2 percent, said one or more foods are present in a proportion of up to about 10 percent, said one or more filling materials are present in a proportion of up to about 80 percent, said one or more bitter constituents are present in a proportion of up to about 0.01 percent, said one or more dyes are present in a proportion of up to about 0.1 percent, and said one or more structure-stabilizers are present in a proportion of up to about 10 percent, relative to the weight of said granule bait.

88. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to any Claim 86, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are present in a proportion of about 0.5 percent to about 1.5 percent, said one or more lures are present in a proportion of about 0.05 percent to about 0.15 percent, said one or more foods are present in a proportion of up to about 10 percent, said one or more filling materials are present in a proportion of up to about 80 percent, said one or more bitter constituents are present in a proportion of up to about 0.005 percent, said one or more dyes are present in a proportion of up to about 0.1 percent, and said one or more structure-stabilizers are present in a proportion of up to about 10 percent, relative to said weight of the granule bait.

89. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 59, wherein the size of the granulate is between about 3 mm and about 4 mm.

90. (Previously Presented) The granule bait according to Claim 59, wherein the amount of particles smaller than about 0.63 mm is less than about 5%.

91. (Withdrawn) A method of preparing a granule bait comprising one or more insect controlling agents, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are selected from the group consisting of N-substituted carbamic acids, organo-phosphorous compounds, nitro-enamines, chlorinated hydrocarbons, natural pyrethrins, pyrethroids, formamidines, borates, phenylpyrazoles, and macrocyclic lactones; one or more lures; one or more foods; and one or

more filling materials; wherein the size of the granulate is between about 1 mm and about 5 mm; the method of preparing comprising:

- a) mixing said one or more insect controlling agents, said one or more lures, said one or more foods, and said one or more filling materials to form a mixture;
- b) granulating said mixture
- c) spraying water over said mixture during the granulating step;
- d) standardizing the granulate;
- e) drying the granulate; and
- f) dry-sieving the granulate.

92. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 91, wherein the amount of particles smaller than about 0.63 mm is less than about 5%.

93. (Withdrawn) A method of preparing a granule bait comprising one or more insect controlling agents, wherein said one or more insect controlling agents are selected from the group consisting of N-substituted carbamic acids, organo-phosphorous compounds, nitroenamines, chlorinated hydrocarbons, natural pyrethrins, pyrethroids, formamidines, borates, phenylpyrazoles, and macrocyclic lactones; one or more lures; one or more foods; one or more filling materials; one or more bitter constituents, one or more dyes, and one or more structure-stabilizers, wherein said one or more bitter constituents are a repellent against non-house fly animals, and wherein the size of the granulate is between about 1 mm and about 5 mm; the method of preparing comprising:

- a) premixing said one or more insect controlling agents, said one or more lures, said one or more foods, and said one or more filling materials to form a premix;
- b) spraying a solution of said one or more bitter constituents over said premix to form a final mixture;
- c) granulating said final mixture;
- d) spraying water over said final mixture during the granulating step;
- e) standardizing the granulate;
- f) drying the granulate;
- g) and dry-sieving the granulate.

94. (Withdrawn) The method of Claim 93, wherein the amount of particles smaller than about 0.63 mm is less than about 5%.

95. (Withdrawn) The method of reducing the number of house flies in a location comprising spreading the granule bait of Claim 59 around said location.